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SUBJECT: GSDR PLANS SATELLITE GROUND STATION

1. SONNA ANNOUNCED JUNE 23 DECISION OF SRC AND COUNCIL OF SECRETARIES OF STATE TO ESTABLISH SATELLITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS LINK QTE BETWEEN SOMALIA AND THE REST OF THE WORLD UNQTE. DECISION, REACHED JUNE 17, STIPULATED THAT CONSTRUCTION OF EARTH STATION WOULD BE AWARDED ON TENDER AND THAT INSTALLATION WOULD BE CONSTRUCTED QTE WITHOUT DELAY UNQTE. MINISTER POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS ABDULLAHI OSSOBLE STATED QTE THIS SATELLITE PROJECT WILL CONTRIBUTE MUCH TOWARDS GOOD IMAGE OUR PROGRESSIVE REPUBLIC WHICH IS SHINING ONE IN EYES OF WORLD, PARTICULARLY AT CONFERENCES OF SOCIALISTS AND THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES. UNQTE

2. COMMENT: WE DO NOT KNOW WHICH SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS SOMALIS PLAN TO PLUG INTO. WE ARE FAIRLY CONFIDENT, HOWEVER, THAT OPERATION THIS INSTALLATION WILL REQUIRE FOREIGN TECHNICIANS FOR SEVERAL YEARS. IF AND AS WE LEARN OF ARRANGEMENT FOR TENDER CONSTRUCTION THIS INSTALLATION WILL FORWARD ROUTINELY AS TRADE OPORTUNITY.
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